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**MESSAGE:**

Examiner Lynda Salvatore advised that she has not received the Amendment filed December 23, 2003 and there is no record of it in PALM. However, PALM does indicate receipt of the Notice of Appeal which was also filed on December 23, 2003.

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previously paid for	20	(at least 20) =	0	x \$ 18.00	
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